ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENT AND SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3295

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 19, 2016

The Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 3295.

This bill establishes the 11-member Clean Vehicle Task Force to evaluate issues connected with the promotion, development, and use of clean vehicles in the State, and make recommendations thereon to the Governor and the Legislature. The bill also clarifies in State law that the Department of Environmental Protection will continue to implement the California Low Emission Vehicle program and the California zero emission vehicle requirements, as it has pursuant to regulation since January 1, 2009. The bill specifies that the task force cannot recommend the discontinuation of either the California Low Emission Vehicle program or the California zero emission vehicle requirements. The bill also repeals the legislative findings and declarations in section 1 of P.L.2003, c.266 (C.26:2C-8.15 et al.). Finally, the bill specifies that for the purposes of the zero emission credit bank established pursuant to P.L.2003, c.266, the credits only apply to vehicles that are sold or leased in the State.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amendments make technical corrections to section 3 of the bill to correct statutory text and to section 6 of the bill to remove the references to sections 5 through 7 of P.L.2003, c.266 (C.26:2C-8.19 through C.26:2C-8.21), as these sections of law have already been repealed.